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APPLICANT: LUCAS, James et al
APPLICATION NO.: 09/831,449 GROUP:
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 22031

November 19, 2001

Sir:

At the time of perfecting the filing of the above-identified application on August 13, 2001, the undersigned inadvertently switched the signature pages of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment forms. Therefore, upon receipt of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document, it was discovered that the PTO returned the front page of the Assignment form and the signature page of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney form.

Therefore, attached hereto is the original signature page of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney form. The PTO is requested to make this page of record in the present application. The PTO is also requested to return the signature page of the Assignment form to the offices of the undersigned to complete our files.

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Your prompt attention to this matter is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Signature page of Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (original)